

Ephraim Jordan collection

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Summary Information

Repository	Rare Books and Manuscripts
Creator	Jordon, Ephraim, 1755-1820
Title	Ephraim Jordan collection
Date	1802-1812
Extent	0.01 Cubic feet 1 folder
Language	English
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Biographical Note

Ephraim Jordan was born in 1755 in Pennsylvania or Virginia. He served in the Virginia Frontier Militia under Colonel George Rogers Clark in 1779. Following his service, Ephraim settled in Vincennes. On November 2, 1791, he married May Gilmore in Jefferson County, Kentucky. They had seven children. In 1801, Mr. Jordan was appointed judge of the Knox Country Court of Common Pleas and justice of the Court of General Quarter Session by William Henry Harrison, governor of the Indiana Territory. Ephraim resigned a year later. During the Battle of Tippecanoe in 1811, Ephraim commanded the 1st Regiment. In 1818, he was appointed Knox County Commissioner, which position he held until his death on January 14, 1820.

Scope and Contents

This collection includes 20 handwritten documents and letters dated from 1802-1812. Some papers deal with provisions for soldiers and have the signature of Ephraim Jordan, Major. "His Excellency" William Henry Harrison is recorded as commander in chief in a document written in May 1809. On August 21, 1812, an order was issued for two men to be punished by riding "a wooden horse both to be mounded {?} at the same time in presence of the troops on parade for the period of ten minutes." On September 5, 1812, two men sent a paper to Colonel Jordan testifying that they examined whiskey which they determined was palpable.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged chronologically.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Accruals

No further additions are expected.

Processing Information

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Controlled Access Headings

Genre(s)

- Correspondence

Personal Name(s)

- Harrison, William Henry, 1773-1841

Subject(s)

- Tippecanoe, Battle of, Ind., 1811